

Information Collection: Information Collection Requirements Referenced in 42 CFR 424.57: Additional DMEPOS Supplier Standards; *Form No.:* HCFA-R-215 (OMB# 0938-0717); *Use:* The respondents for these information collection requirements are suppliers of durable medical equipment, prosthetics, orthotics and supplies (DMEPOS). HCFA requires a current copy of a DMEPOS supplier's surety bond and, upon request, documentation that the DMEPOS supplier has both advised beneficiaries that they may either rent or purchase inexpensive or routinely purchased equipment and discussed the purchase option for capped rental equipment. Both of these criteria are necessary to determine if the supplier has met these supplier standards.; *Frequency:* Annually, On occasion; *Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit and Not-for-profit institutions; *Number of Respondents:* 65,400; *Total Annual Responses:* 21,800; *Total Annual Hours:* 272,863.

To obtain copies of the supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, access HCFA's Web Site address at <http://www.hcfa.gov/regs/prdact95.htm>, or E-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and HCFA document identifier, to Paperwork@hcfa.gov, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (410) 786-1326. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections must be mailed within 30 days of this notice directly to the OMB desk officer: OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, Attention: Wendy Taylor, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing Administration

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration.

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), Department of Health and Human Services, is publishing the following summary of proposed collections for public comment. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

Type of Information Collection Request: New collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Durable Medical Equipment and Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies (DMEPOS) Supplier survey; *Form No.:* HCFA-10019 (OMB# 0938-NEW); *Use:* This survey is necessary to collect access, quality, and financial performance information from suppliers of durable medical equipment. These key elements of the evaluation cannot be thoroughly evaluated without a supplier survey. The information will be presented to HCFA and to Congress, who will use the results to determine whether the demonstration should be extended to other sites; *Frequency:* Once; *Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit; *Number of Respondents:* 340; *Total Annual Responses:* 340; *Total Annual Hours:* 620.

To obtain copies of the supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, access HCFA's Web Site address at <http://www.hcfa.gov/regs/prdact95.htm>, or E-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and HCFA document identifier, to Paperwork@hcfa.gov, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (410) 786-1326. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections must be mailed within 30 days of this notice directly to the OMB desk officer: OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, Attention: Wendy Taylor, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing Administration

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration.

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), Department of Health and Human Services, is publishing the following summary of proposed collections for public comment. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

Type of Information Collection Request: Revision of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Advance Beneficiary Notice and Supporting Regulations in 42 CFR 411.404, 411.406, and 411.408; *Form No.:* HCFA-R-131 (OMB# 0938-0566); *Use:* Physicians, practitioners, suppliers, and providers furnishing Part A or Part B items or services may bill a patient for items or services denied by Medicare as not reasonable and necessary, under Medicare program standards, if they inform the patient, before furnishing the items or services, that Medicare is likely to deny payment for the items or services and the patient, after being so informed, agrees to pay for the items or services; *Frequency:* On occasion; *Affected Public:* Individuals or households, Business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions; *Number of*

Respondents: 980,742; Total Annual Responses: 18,823,150; Total Annual Hours: 1,568,596.

To obtain copies of the supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, access HCFA's Web Site address at <http://www.hcfa.gov/regs/prdact95.htm>, or E-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and HCFA document identifier, to Paperwork@hcfa.gov, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (410) 786-1326. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections must be mailed within 30 days of this notice directly to the OMB desk officer: OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, Attention: Wendy Taylor, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Periodically, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) will publish a list of information collection requests under OMB review, in compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35). To request a copy of these documents, call the SAMHSA Reports Clearance Officer on (301) 443-7978.

Providers Survey for the Primary Care Research in Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services for the Elderly Cooperative Agreement Program—

(New)—The Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS) of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), in collaboration with the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP) and the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT), the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), and the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), plans to conduct a survey of the service providers in the Aging, Mental Health/Substance Abuse and Primary Care Program. The purpose of this program is to assess alternative models of delivering and financing mental health and/or substance abuse services for older adults through primary health care. We hope to identify differences in outcomes between models referring to specialty mental health/substance abuse (MH/SA) services outside the primary care setting (Referral Model) and those providing such services within the primary care setting itself (Integrated Model).

SAMHSA is funding the Coordinating Center at the Harvard Medical School and six Study Sites, three of which are also HRSA Community Health Centers and receive additional service enhancement funding from HRSA. Furthermore, the VA is funding a Coordinating Center at the Miami VAMC and another five VA Study Sites, following the same protocol, making a total of 11 Study Sites, in 8 States throughout the country. In the intervention, over 50,000 individuals over age 65 are expected to be screened in primary care settings for mental health and substance abuse problems; those in need will receive treatment in either the referral model or the integrated model.

Specifically, the primary purpose of the Aging, MH/SA and Primary Care Program is to specify the conditions under which integrated and referral models are most effective in terms of access, adherence, consumer outcomes, and system outcomes. The multi-site study will focus on the impact of the

treatment models on older adults with depression, anxiety, alcoholism, and alcohol abuse with other drugs, and combinations of the above disorders. It highlights prevention, early identification, early intervention, and brief treatment components of service models; it incorporates a consumer-oriented approach throughout all phases of the study, and cultural competence in all study instruments and methods for a variety of ethnic older populations. This study will seek to expand our knowledge, using the most rigorous available scientific methods available, by measuring the relative effectiveness of service models.

In this context, this study intends to evaluate the role of the providers in the treatment of these older adults with MH/SA disorders, both the Primary Care Providers (PCPs) and MH/SA Providers. Therefore, it will use a questionnaire called a Providers Survey to survey both PCPs and MH/SA Providers to determine their perceptions, attitudes and beliefs about providing these services to older adults under the two service delivery models.

Analysis of this information will assist SAMHSA in documenting communication patterns with, attitudes towards, and perceptions of older adult participants in the study, permitting some understanding of the provider-older adult interactions. In addition, there may be important differences between the integrated and referral service delivery models in the interaction between the PCP and MH/SA Providers. These two sets of interactions may, in turn, have a direct effect or moderating effect on the effectiveness of the service delivery models. Outside, formal comparison groups are not needed, as the main comparisons will be made of the integrated and referral models within each study site.

The 11 Study Sites expect to survey approximately 312 providers for this study, including 158 PCPs and 154 MH/SA Providers. The chart below summarizes complete burden for this project.

| Respondent type | Number of respondents | Responses/ respondent | Average burden/ response (hours) | Annual burden (hours) |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary Care Providers | 158 | 1 | 0.133 | 21 |
| Mental Health/Substance Abuse Providers | 154 | 1 | 0.133 | 20 |
| Total | 312 | | | 41 |

Written comments and recommendations concerning the

proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of this notice to:

Stuart Shapiro, Human Resources and Housing Branch, Office of Management